Instructions for Groups Touring the White House

Thank you for your interest in touring the White House. Please review the following rules and procedures regarding your visit.

- 1. Public tours of the White House are scheduled Tuesday through Saturday, from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for groups of 10 or more people.
- 2. All guests 14 years of age or older are required to submit their name, date of birth, social security number and country of citizenship to the requesting office. Attendees under the age of 14 only need to submit their name and date of birth. This security information must be received by the requesting office no later than **five business days prior to the tour date**. Groups without security information will be canceled.
- 3. Groups should enter the White House complex from the south side of East Executive Avenue near the Southeast Gate. Uniformed National Park Service Rangers are posted at the corner of 15th and E Streets to assist groups as they arrive. Limited bus parking is available on 15th Street across from the Department of Commerce. Please check posted street signs for parking restrictions.
- 4. Groups should **arrive 15 minutes before their scheduled tour time**. Late arrivals may not be accommodated.
- 5. All guests 15 years of age or older will be required to **present photo identification** with information exactly matching the name previously submitted for clearance. Individuals whose identification does not exactly match the name or data cleared for entry may be denied admittance.
- 6. Prohibited items include, but are not limited to, the following: handbags, book bags, backpacks, **purses**, food and beverages of any kind, strollers, **cameras**, video recorders or any type of recording device, tobacco products, personal grooming items (make-up, hair brush or comb, lip or hand lotions, etc.), any pointed objects (pens, knitting needles, etc.), aerosol containers, guns, ammunition, fireworks, electric stun guns, mace, martial arts weapons/devices, or knives of any size. The U.S. Secret Service reserves the right to prohibit any other personal items. Umbrellas, wallets, cell phones and car keys are permitted.

Please note that no storage facilities are available on or around the complex. Individuals who arrive with prohibited items will not be permitted to enter the White House.

- 7. All necessary medications must be identified and remain in the custody of an adult chaperone or contact for the entire tour.
- 8. All persons and items entering the White House will be screened through a security process. Individuals may be requested to consent to an interview or additional security procedures before they are admitted to the White House complex.
- 9. White House tours may be subject to last minute cancellation. Visitors may call the 24-hour line at (202) 456-7041 for the most current tour information.